


# *The* CATHEDRAL TIMES

*The weekly newsletter of the Cathedral of St. Philip · Serving Atlanta and the World · November 15, 2026*


## THE CATHEDRAL PARISH OF ST. PHILIP ANNOUNCES A FANTASTIC SET OF OUTREACH GRANTS!

**by the Very Rev. Sam Candler, *Dean of the Cathedral***

It gives me beautiful pleasure to announce the fruit of some faithful and devoted service of the past several years. Remember this number: **3.1 million dollars!**

First, a brief review: this parish learned of our Cathedral Towers initiative three years ago, how we planned to lease our longstanding Cathedral Towers facility to an organization who could manage the operation much better than we could. That arrangement included a generous payment to the Cathedral, which we immediately committed to continuing the ministry of Cathedral Towers, to low-income elderly housing and service. It was a win-win-win situation for everyone. The facility continues to exist as Parish Grove; our ministry to the community continues as the Cathedral Towers Fund!

Here's the news: this year, with the steady service and recommendation of The Cathedral Towers Fund Committee, the Cathedral Chapter was able last month to allocate $2.4 million in grants for low-income seniors in the metro Atlanta area!

The grants from the **Cathedral Towers Fund** are going to several excellent services and ministries. They allow National Church Residences to expand resident service coordination at six local facilities. They allow the Atlanta Regional Commission to hire counselors and provide home repair for seniors. Emmaus House and Buckhead Cares can dedicate new case managers to seniors, Urban Recipe can grow its food security mission, and the Gateway Center can add intake coordinators for seniors experiencing homelessness. Through this new Cathedral Towers Fund, the Cathedral parish is funding critical staff and services at organizations that are meeting the needs of low-income seniors every day. 2.4 million dollars. Wow!

There's more! The **Helen Plummer Outreach Fund**, established in 2021 and expanded last year, prioritizes social services and the needs of underserved individuals and families, primarily in the Greater Atlanta metropolitan area. Grants totaling $200,000 to 15 organizations this year support work caring for these underserved populations, including through LaAmistad Afterschool for Latino youth, Parole Advocates Inc. for incarcerated individuals, Respite Care Atlanta for caretakers of people living with dementia, El Refugio for families of immigrants at Stewart Detention Center, and Mercy Care, which provides compassionate medical and dental care for all. Through the Plummer Fund, the Cathedral also supports local Episcopal institutions like Emmaus House, Church of the Common Ground, Church of the Holy Comforter, and Camp Mikell.

Since 1999, the **James Wynn Ricks, Jr. and Kenneth Wayne Wheeler Fund** has supported programs and activities that minister to persons living with HIV/AIDS. We continue this work annually, and in 2026 grants totaled over $32,000. Grants from the Ricks-Wheeler Fund supported a mentoring program at HERO for Children, permanent supportive housing through Status: Home, nutrition programs at Open Hand Atlanta, emergency support at AID Atlanta, HIV prevention education and testing at Lost-n-Found Youth, and mental health support through the Georgia Harm Reduction Coalition.

In addition, in 2026, there was the excellent **Cathedral Giving By Design** generosity! That annual event of the Episcopal Church Women of the Cathedral, continuing the legacy of the Cathedral Antiques Show, netted $315,000 for Global Village Project, a middle school devoted exclusively to refugee girls. Further, the Cathedral Parish of St. Philip provides financial, vocational, communal, and spiritual support for individuals seeking higher education through its **Cathedral Scholars** program. In 2026, scholarships totaled $141,000 for 29 students, often closing the gap between these students being able to attend college or not. And, the first-Sunday loose offering supporting the **Discretionary Fund for the Needy** gives emergency help to members of our community facing homelessness, hunger, medical crises or sudden hardship.

What this means, in total, is that the overall outreach giving from the Cathedral Parish of St. Philip is now $3.14 million for 2026! Because this total giving draws from several now-established endowment funds, the

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# *This* SUNDAY

**NOVEMBER 15, 2026** · The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 28, Year A

Zephaniah 1:7,12-18 / Psalm 90:1-12 / 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 / Matthew 25:14-30

**8:45 A.M., 11:15 A.M., AND 4 P.M.: IN-PERSON AND ONLINE**
**CATHEDRALATL.ORG / THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PHILIP APP / FACEBOOK / YOUTUBE**

## 7:45 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST, *MIKELL CHAPEL*

**Celebrant and Preacher:** The Rev. Canon David Boyd

## 8:45 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST, *CATHEDRAL*

**Celebrant:** The Very Rev. Sam Candler

**Preacher:** The Rev. Canon David Boyd

**8:45 a.m. Cathedral Singers:**

**11:15 a.m. Cathedral Choir:**

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), *O how amiable are thy dwellings*

William Byrd (1539/40-1623), *Prevent us, O Lord*

## 11:15 A.M. LA SANTA EUCARISTÍA (SPANISH), *MIKELL CHAPEL*

**Officiant and Preacher:** The Rev. Deacon Iñaki Guevara-Cuence

## 4:00 P.M. CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF HERMAN OF ALASKA, *CATHEDRAL*

**Officiant and Preacher:** The Rev. Canon Ashley Carr

**Cathedral Schola & Cathedral Choristers:**

William Smith (1603-1645), *Preces & Responses*

Bryan Kelly (1934-2026) in C

Larry King (1932-1990), *Let us love in deed and truth*

Alexander L'Estrange (b. 1974), *Lighten our darkness*

## 5:22 P.M. CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST, *GOOD FAITH CHAPEL*

**Celebrant and Preacher:** The Rev. Canon Ashley Carr

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON RECITALS

**JACQUELINE FARRELL, *ORGAN***
**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
**NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 — 3:15 P.M.
IN-PERSON AND ONLINE
AT CATHEDRALATL.ORG/RECITALS

John Weaver (1937-2021), *Toccata for Organ*

Brenda Portman (b. 1980), *Diptych for Organ*

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986),
*Prelude et fugue sur le nom d'Alain, Op. 7*

### THE DEAN'S FORUM: REFRESHING CHRISTIANITY IN GOOD FAITH

**The Value of**
**Spiritual Leadership Principles**
*Sunday, November 15, 10:10 a.m.,*
*Good Faith Chapel*

Dean Candler will present leadership principles: "The Value of Spiritual Leadership Principles." In particular here, he hopes to use the grand story of Moses as our guide. But he will also lean on the insights of contemporary thinkers and leaders.

# PRAYER *List*

**FOR THOSE WITH IMMEDIATE NEEDS:** The Graham Family • Sara Nally

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR RECOVERING:**

**LONG TERM PRAYERS:** Randy Allen • R. Huntley Allen • Benjamin Bao • Cornelia Bird • Ann & Frank Blackistone, Jr. • Larry Boggs • Jeff Bonnell • Lawrence Booker • Stacy Boyd • The Bryant Family • Don Cameron • Marlene Cherry • The Crossley Family • Rita Daly • Jerri Darnell • Jean Davis • Laura Demo-Anderson • Debbie Dewees • Mary Doffermyre • Sharon Douglas • Janet Harrison Estes • Rachel Feldman • Phoebe Forio • Brad Foresythe • Susan Gavalis • Allison Gould • Jenny Ham • Heather Huber • Melanie Johnson • Bennie King • Karen Klein • Lisa Krysiak • Bonnie Lamberth • Olivia Leon • Mary Elizabeth Lively • Jill Mahaffey • Lauren Makhlouf • Tommy Mason • Wynetta McNeill • Floyd McRae • Sally Menning • Glenn Miller • Millicent Miller • Jim Myrick • Charlie Neal • Leo Ortiz • Lori Hegwood Owens • Marian Palmore • Patti Parker • Patricia Payne-White • Brenda Pruitt • Rubye Reid • Lorraine Reynolds • Barbara Rice • Lisa Rowe • Louis "Skip" Schueddig • Taylor Shailendra • Terri Sherrod • Roberta Shields • Richard Shook • Sue Shore • Farley Sirockman • Bronnie Smith • Lisa Staats • Fair Sutherlin • Richard Swanson • Dave Thompson • Crawford Troup, Jr. • Tommy Truesdale • Art Vinson • Ellen Wilson • Jim Wilson

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS:** Frank Adams • Josephine Rose Adams • Alexander Collins Astrop • Linda Beane • Patty Bedford • Walter Boleman • Lamar and Beverly Booth • Brenda Bootle • John Bott • Jason Brady • Trip Bray • Dennis and Robin Bridges • Saint Legend Brown • Beverly Brownlee • Grace Burnias • Lila Jo Callaway • Caroline Cate • Bill Cazin • Joe Churchill • Andrea Cody • Sally Coleman • Beatrice "Bea" Comstock • Linda Connelly • Inaam Copty • Ava Corroon • Barbara Daniel • Henry "Hank" Diversi • Mary Kent Ellis • Mercy Elyon • Marilyn Epstein • Tom Erb • Elaine Escher • Martha Flory • Frederick G. Fogg • Pete Fonash • JT Foster • Kyle Garcia • Laura Gardner • Jack Genadek • Ann George • Emily Giesen • Alexis Grace • Michael Gragnani • Peter Grandell • Nikki Greenaway • Eddie Guilbert • Dub Gulley • Ted Hackett • Nicholas Hadden • McKee Hamilton • Josh Hargraves • Victoria Leigh Hartness • Shirley Helmke • Elaine Herzog • Alex Hill • Keith Hinze • Dave Hopkins • Lisa Hoybach • Jane Hunnicutt • Beth Ingle • William Irwin • Dilini Jayawardena • Rhett Jayne • Farley Jenkins, Sr. • Woody Jones • Lee Josephs • Patricia Kasm • Christopher Keltz • Mary Weston Klein • Gary Laney • Charles Lewis • Doris Little • Pete Livezey • Henry Long • Kelly Mandy • Susan Matthew • Dawn and David Mayers • Stephen McCain • Hailey McKeefry • Eric Merrifield • Barry Miller • Iris Miller • Rhonda Milner • Jon Moravec • Larry Mortimer • Tom Myer • Philip Nally • Augusta Horsey Nash • Katie Neill • Fred Neuschel • Linus Nickel • Ramona O'Neill • Jennifer Bryon Owen • Jeff Pace • Alfredo Paniagua • Stephen Pararo • Anna Lilia Diaz Parra • Martie Patterson • Jacqulin Bennett Phillips • Kevin Race • Paul Reeves • Hugh Ripps • Charlie Roberts • Mr. and Mrs. William Rowe • Einar Sagstuen • Don Saliers • Ernest Sandoval • Krista Sandoval • Mary Jo Salter • Patricia Schooley • Lelia Sinclair • Alice Smith-Mather • Michael and Kathryn Snider • Doug Stapp • Izzy Straus • Dan Sullivan • Richard Sullivan • Jan Swanson • Luciana Tanner • Ted Tarantino • Pierson Thames • Cliff Thompson • Peggy Thuyler and family • Pamela Tubbs • Angel Vega • Leopoldo Velita • Pat Volpicella • Dan Walls • Virginia Weatherford • Austin Williams • Ellen Wolff • Cutler Woodfin • Sylvia Wright • Gordy Grayson Wyatt • Hollis Youngner

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Samuel B. Hollis, Sr. • Janet Lutton Olt • Joyce Plank

## *The* CATHEDRAL *of* ST. PHILIP


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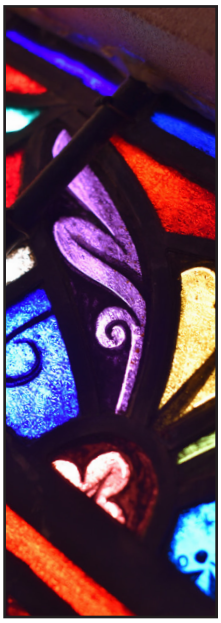

**CATHEDRAL TIMES SUBMISSION DEADLINES:**
FOR THE **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22** ISSUE, THE DEADLINE IS **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11.** FOR THE **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29** ISSUE, THE DEADLINE IS **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18.**

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### NOVEMBER 15 IS INGATHERING SUNDAY

The United Thank Offering began in 1883 when the women of the church collected a thank offering to support missions of The Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion that the church budget could not cover. Since its founding in 1889, UTO has awarded 5,500 grants for a total of $146,233,775.

This Sunday is United Thank Offering Sunday, also known as UTO Ingathering time. On this day, we are invited to reflect upon our spiritual practice of expressing daily gratitude. We are invited to give a financial gift—no matter how big or small—that will be used to help fund UTO efforts around the world.

We give thanks to our Cathedral of St. Philip family for raising $ $1,736 during our last ingathering, which helped the UTO award $930,777.82 in grants to 25 sites around the world. Our November collection will help the UTO fund projects designed to connect the unique gifts of the church/diocese/province with the unique needs of its own community, covering expenses that could not otherwise be covered by the local church budget.

Thank you to the children of the Cathedral for collecting coins in their UTO blue boxes! Thank you to our adults for giving using the QR code, envelopes in pews, or online at cathedralATL.org/UTO to support our ingathering efforts.

SCAN TO DONATE

*Psalm 107:1: "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever."*

# STEWARDSHIP

### YEAR-END GIVING

Thank you so much for your financial support of the Cathedral of St. Philip! Here's how you can help as we approach year-end:

- Please **mail** contributions to:
  The Cathedral of St. Philip
  Stewardship Office
  2744 Peachtree Rd., NW
  Atlanta, GA 30305
- **Online contributions** can be made via cathedralATL.org/contribute. Contributions can be processed through Thursday, December 31 in order to be considered for a 2026 tax-deduction.
- **Cash and check contributions** can be mailed, placed in the plate at any service, or hand-delivered to the Cathedral stewardship or finance offices. A contribution must be received at the Cathedral by Thursday, December 31 or postmarked by Thursday, December 31 in order to be considered a 2026 tax-deduction.
- **Shares** can be transferred electronically to Morgan Stanley Smith Barney (DTC #0015), Account #308-130762. Our contact is Cathy Lamb at 404-266-6315. Please notify David Rocchio, drocchio@cathedralATL.org or 404-365-1033, of the transfer.
- Review the implications of the **One Big Beautiful Bill Act** to your charitable giving with your financial advisor. Because the Cathedral uses fund accounting, parishioners can give before year-end toward future pledges (i.e. 2026 Pledge, Good Faith Chapel Pledge, 2027 Pledge, etc.)
- Consider your **Required Minimum Distribution** (RMD) from an IRA: If you are 70½ or older, you may choose to direct funds from your IRA payable directly to the Cathedral of St. Philip. Amounts distributed as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) can be counted toward satisfying your RMD for the year, up to $111,000. The QCD is excluded from your taxable income. Contact your financial advisor or retirement plan to arrange the QCD.

Giving history can be checked anytime by logging into your TouchPoint record: cathedralATL.tpsdb.com.

Year-end statements of contributions will be mailed in late January 2027 accounting for all contributions in the 2026 calendar year. Please contact David Rocchio, drocchio@cathedralATL.org or 404-365-1033, with any questions.

# MUSIC

## ADVENT PROCESSION WITH LESSONS AND CAROLS

*Sunday, November 29, 4 p.m., Cathedral*

Join us for the annual Advent Procession of Lessons and Carols, sung by the Cathedral Choir. At our Advent service we include the ancient "O Antiphons", one after each of the seven lessons. These Christian texts invoke the Messiah to return and have been sung through the ages at Vespers on the seven evenings leading up to Christmas, and each is sung to equally ancient and beautiful plainchant. Whether you best sense the eternal through timeless chant, or wonderful choral music, or popular carols sung by all, there is something for everyone in this service.





## Holiday Concert

*with members of the*

## Atlanta Symphony Brass

**Monday, December 7, 2026**
**7:30 p.m.**

Enjoy an evening of magnificent music and world-class musicianship as the members of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra's world-renowned brass and percussion sections return to the Cathedral of St. Philip to present their ninth annual holiday concert. The program will feature traditional holiday carols and beloved standards from the symphonic orchestra repertoire in some of the finest arrangements for brass ensemble and percussion. This concert has quickly become one of Atlanta's most beloved holiday traditions, so treat yourself and those you love to a breathtakingly spectacular night of music in the sumptuous acoustical grandeur of the Cathedral of St. Philip. This is a holiday concert not to be missed!

*Purchase tickets at cathedral*ATL*.org/concerts*

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BOOKSTORE

## Friends & Family Sale

an annual event of the Cathedral Bookstore

**Friday–Sunday, November 13-15**

15% off most items!




# SPIRITUALITY



### MARVEL NOW, BOTH HEAVEN AND EARTH!

**An Advent Quiet Day**

*Saturday, December 5, 2026, 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*

Advent is a time rife with wonder, beauty, and stillness, though this often gets lost in the typical December frenzy. Using the texts of some of the great Advent hymns (among the loveliest of the church year), we will enjoy silence, art, prayer, reflection, and other optional forms of entering into the deep mystery of this season.

Join us for an Advent Quiet Day led by the Rev. Julia Mitchener, Cathedral Canon for Mission. The Quiet Day will take place in the Lanier House. The cost is $25 and includes lunch. Register at cathedralATL.org/AdventQuietDay2026, or contact Jeannie Mahood with any questions (jmahood@cathedralATL.org or 404-365-1031).

### THIRD MONDAY FACILITATED LABYRINTH WALK AND TAIZÉ PRAYERS FOR PEACE

*Monday, November 16, 7:00 p.m.*

Join us for a contemplative Third Monday of November. We'll begin in the Good Faith Chapel for an hour of walking the sacred labyrinth path starting at 7:00 p.m. Or come a few minutes early for a brief introduction if you are new to the labyrinth.

Then, come to Mikell Chapel at 8:00 p.m. for Taizé Prayers for Peace. Originating in Taizé, France, this simple service of scripture, music, silence, and candlelight will bring a beautiful and prayerful close to your Monday.

The facilitated Labyrinth walk and Taizé service take place every 3rd Monday at the Cathedral. Come to one, or both – and bring a friend! Centering Prayer takes place on the other Mondays at 7:00 pm in the Good Faith Chapel. Questions? Contact Jeannie Mahood (jmahood@cathedralATL.org or 404-365-1031).



## Advent Wreath Making and Spaghetti Supper

*Sunday, November 29, 5:30 p.m., Child Hall*






# OUTREACH

### ST. MONICA'S GUILD TOY DRIVE

Please join St. Monica's Guild in a toy drive to assist Emmaus House in providing a cheerful Christmas to all in their neighborhood. Santa and Mrs. Claus will come to Emmaus House and give presents to more than 550 children in Peoplestown and surrounding neighborhoods.

Here's how you can help:

- Donate gifts: Bring new, unwrapped gifts to the bins in the Atrium November 22–December 13. The Emmaus House Holiday Guide document, with suggested gifts by age and gender, is available at cathedralATL.org/toydrive.
- Make a contribution: $35 will sponsor a child but any donation amount is helpful and appreciated. Make checks payable to "The Cathedral of St. Philip" and write Toy Drive in the memo line. Checks can be handed to a guild member on Sunday mornings at the table in the Atrium or mailed to the Cathedral – Attention St. Monica's Guild.
- Donations can also be made online by going to cathedralATL.org/toydrive.

Also, beginning Sunday, November 22, and running through December 13, the Cathedral Young Professionals will set up a giving tree in the Atrium. Parishioners can choose gift tag ornaments from the tree to buy specific items for teenagers participating in the Emmaus House Christmas Festival.

### ST. ANNE'S GUILD THANKSGIVING MINISTRY FOR EMMAUS HOUSE

The Emmaus House Thanksgiving at Home giveaway will take place on Tuesday, November 24, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 1010 Crew Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30315. This year, we aim to provide 400 families with turkeys and Thanksgiving meal essentials.

St. Anne's Guild invites you to join us in making Thanksgiving possible for our neighbors! Turkey costs have increased by over 60%, making financial contributions especially important as we prepare to serve 400 families. A gift of any amount will help purchase turkeys and support this year's giveaway. Individuals and groups can also help by providing bags of Thanksgiving meal essentials. To provide meal essentials, sign up at cathedralATL.org/ThanksgivingEssentials. To make a financial contribution, visit cathedralATL.org/ThanksgivingDonations.

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## This Sunday at a Glance

**7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist**
Mikell Chapel

**8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist**
Cathedral

**10:10 a.m. The Dean's Forum**
Good Faith Chapel

**10:10 a.m. Living Faith**
Room 239

**10:10 a.m. Informed First Communion Class with Deacon Juan Sandoval**
Room 120

**10:10 a.m. Young Professionals Sunday School**
Room 368

**10:10 a.m. Godly Play Parents**
Room 316

**10:10 a.m. Youth Sunday School**
Room 382

**10:10 a.m. Godly Play**
3rd Floor above the Atrium

**11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist**
Cathedral

**11:15 a.m. La Santa Eucaristía**
Mikell Chapel

**1:15 p.m. Enjoy Biblical Greek!**
Room 239 and online

**3:15 p.m. Sunday Afternoon Recital: Jacqueline Farrell**
Cathedral

**4 p.m. Choral Evensong**
Cathedral

**5:22 p.m. Contemplative Eucharist**
Good Faith Chapel

**6 p.m. EYC for Middle and High School**
Room 382



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Cathedral's grantmaking can continue like this perpetually; and the parish will always have ongoing annual initiatives.

**Thank you! I thank you, a generous and tremendous parish!** And I thank Susan Graham, the chair of the Cathedral Towers Fund committee. I thank Joe Iarocci, the chair of the Plummer Outreach Fund committee. I thank Rick Tyler, of the Cathedral Scholars Committee. I thank Amy Mininberg, of the Ricks-Wheeler Fund Committee. I thank the Reverend Julia Mitchener, our Canon for Mission; I thank Sara Craig-Goodell, our Program Coordinator for Outreach; I thank David Rocchio, our brilliant Director of Stewardship. I am thankful to be part of such a lively and generous community.



**The Very Rev. Sam Candler**
**Dean of the Cathedral of St. Philip**



### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT SIGN UPS

**Sundays through December 6, 10:10 a.m.**

Children ages 4 - 5th grade are invited to join our cast of sheep, shepherds, angels, soldiers, stars, and the holy family. Sign ups must be done in person in the atrium to guarantee casting. Please contact Lynn Wilmoth, Director of Children's Ministries, lwilmoth@cathedralATL.org for questions or more information.